**Allusions in Song Lyrics**

*Title: "Love Story" Artist: Taylor Swift.*

Example of allusion: "That you were Romeo, you were throwing pebbles/and my daddy said ‘Stay away from Juliet’”

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Title: "One Thing" Artist: One Direction*

Example of Allusion: "Shot me out of the sky, you're my kryptonite, you keep making me weak yeah frozen and can't speak."

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Title: Alice Artist: Avril Lavigne*

Example: I found myself In wonderland/ Get back on My feet again. Is this real? Is it pretend? I'll take start Until end.

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Title: Viva la Vida Artist: Coldplay*

Example: I hear jerusalem bells a ringing. Roman cavalry choirs are singing. Be my mirror, my sword and shield. My missionaries in a foreign field

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Title: Your Love Artist: Nicki Minaj*

Lyric: Anyway I think I met him some time before, in a different life of where I record. I mean he was Adam, I think I was Eve but my vision ends with an apple on the tree.....

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

Song:"Say Something" Artist: Drake

Example: "You shoulda been here to kick it with me We coulda split this whole thing up 50/50, the ever so talented Mr. Ripley"

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

Artist: Shania Twain Title: "That Don't Impress Me Much"

Example: "Okay, so you're Brad Pitt?/That don't impress me much/So you've got the looks but have you got the touch?..."

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Artist: Jay Z Title: Empire State of Mind*

Example: I'ma up at Brooklyn, now I'm down in Tribeca Right next to De Niro, but I'll be hood forever I'm the new Sinatra, and since I made it here I can make it anywhere, yeah, they love me everywhere

Interpret (where does the reference come from?)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Artist: Macklemore Song: Wings*

"I was trying to fly without leaving the ground, Cause I wanted to be like Mike, right,

Wanted to be him, I wanted to be that guy, I wanted to touch the rim"

Interpret (where does the reference come from)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Artist: Kanye West Title: Through the Wire*

Example: "I look like Tom Cruise on Vanilla Skies, it was televised. I was in an accident like Geico,"

Interpret (where does the reference come from)

Explain (What does it mean?)

*Artist: Escape the Fate Song: Live Fast, Die Beautiful*

Example:" She flicks lit cigarettes, Burning holes in her clothes,

Just like some messed up version of Marylyn Monroe.

Interpret (where does the reference come from)

Explain (What does it mean?)